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In the Action, claims 1,3,4,8 to 10 were rejected by the reference 1, and claims 1 to 10 were rejected by the references 1-4.

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